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**From:** Merritt, Steven  
**Sent:** Thur 9/24/2015 3:46:03 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Additional Funding needs to be obligated ASAP

I am on my way into the office now after handling the spill in Utah this morning from home. Sorry I missed your call. I think I was on the phone with the county health department. I think most of the money can be obligated to START, but we can discuss further when I get in.

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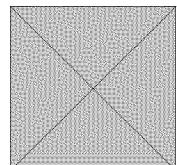
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Sent from my iPhone...

On Sep 24, 2015, at 9:09 AM, Williams, Laura <[williams.laura@epa.gov](mailto:williams.laura@epa.gov)> wrote:

Apparently, we need to put some funds into site travel (\$75K) as we are in the red. We'll take it from the \$200K for the Minesite stabilization. Changes are shown in red below.  
Thank you, lw

**From:** Williams, Laura

**Sent:** Thursday, September 24, 2015 8:49 AM  
**To:** joni sandoval ([Sandoval.Joni@epa.gov](mailto:Sandoval.Joni@epa.gov)); Wilborn, Kendra; Rodriguez, Mandi; Braun, Richard; Ostrander, David; Ackerman, Joyce  
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All,

HQ has found an additional \$1.4 million to fund the Gold King Mine response and we expect to receive it late today or tomorrow. The catch is it is FY'14 dollars and needs to be obligated as quickly as possible (by Wednesday). I'd like to divide up the money as follows:

\$1 million: Long-term Monitoring Strategy (Steve Merritt) – please hold on obligating the \$600K we approved yesterday/ let me know how much of the FY'14 million dollars you want for ERRS and how much to START

\$0.2 million: preparation for testimony before Congress (Joni Sandoval) – put into a separate TO for ERRS

\$125 K: Minesite stabilization (Kerry/Steve Way) – add to ERRS TO

\$75 K: site travel (Joe Poetter)